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#### **Abstract**

A resistance board weir was operated by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Fairbanks Fish and Wildlife Field Office to collect information on abundance, run timing, and biology of returning adult Chinook salmon *Oncorhynchus* tshawytscha and chum salmon O. keta in the Gisasa River. This was the 18th year of operating the weir at this location. In 2011, the weir was operated from June 17 through July 30. An estimated 2,692 Chinook salmon and 95,796 summer chum salmon passed through the weir. The most abundant other species was longnose sucker Catostomus catostomus (N = 49), followed by northern pike Esox lucius (N = 41), sockeye salmon O. nerka (N = 22), Arctic grayling Thymallus arcticus (N = 16), whitefish spp. (Coregoninae; N = 10), and pink salmon O.gorbuscha (N = 3). The estimated weekly sex composition for Chinook salmon ranged from 14% to 28% female fish, and averaged 17% for the season. Three primary age classes were identified, 1.2, 1.3, and 1.4, for Chinook salmon, with the predominant age class being 1.3 (57%). Overall, length at age of female Chinook salmon was larger than males. The estimated weekly sex composition for summer chum salmon ranged from 39% to 74% female fish, and averaged 54% for the season. There were two primary age classes identified for chum salmon, 0.3 and 0.4, with the predominant age class being 0.3 (54%). Length at age of male chum salmon was larger than females.

#### Introduction

The Gisasa River, located within the Koyukuk National Wildlife Refuge in north-central Interior Alaska, is a tributary of the Koyukuk River and provides spawning and rearing habitat for Chinook salmon *Oncorhynchus tshawytscha* and chum salmon *O. keta*. These salmon species from the Gisasa River contribute to mixed stock subsistence and commercial fisheries in the Yukon River (USFWS 1993). The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS), through Section 302 of the Alaska National Interest Lands Conservation Act, has a responsibility to ensure that salmon populations within federal conservation units are conserved in their natural diversity, international treaty agreements are met, and subsistence opportunities are maintained.

Yukon River salmon returns began to decline in the late 1990s (Kruse 1998). These declines led to harvest restrictions, complete fishery closures, and spawning escapements below management goals (Vania et al. 2002). Returns showed some improvement beginning in 2001 and continued through 2006, with some low returns again occurring from 2007 to 2011 (JTC 2012). Management of individual stocks does not occur and accurate escapement data are limited throughout the Yukon River drainage. In-season management of the salmon fisheries is conducted using: preseason projections based on parent stock returns, Pilot Station sonar counts, Eagle sonar counts, information provided by test fisheries, data from escapement projects, and harvest data from subsistence and commercial fisheries.

Historically, escapement information on individual salmon stocks from the Koyukuk River has been collected by aerial surveys. The Alaska Department of Fish and Game (ADF&G) has conducted these surveys on several index tributaries within the Koyukuk River drainage intermittently since 1960 (Barton 1984). Aerial surveys, however, are highly variable and provide only a point in time index of relative run strength. Counts produced using weirs or counting towers provide a better estimation of escapement, and weirs provide a platform for collecting other biological data. Therefore, weirs or counting towers have been operated in five different Koyukuk River tributaries between 1994 and 2011 (Figure 1).

The USFWS, Fairbanks Fish and Wildlife Field Office (FFWFO) has operated a resistance board weir on the Gisasa River since 1994 (Melegari and Wiswar 1995; O'Brien 2006). Historical Chinook salmon escapement estimates from weir counts on the Gisasa River through 2010 have ranged from 1,427 to 4,023 fish/year. Chum salmon escapement estimates for the same period ranged from 10,155 to 261,305 fish/year. For 2011, the objectives of the Gisasa River weir were to: (1) determine daily passage, estimate seasonal escapement, and describe run timing of adult Chinook salmon and summer chum salmon, (2) determine sex and size composition of adult Chinook salmon and summer chum salmon, and (3) document observations of resident fish.

### **Study Area**

The Gisasa River headwaters originate in the Nulato Hills; and the river flows to the northeast as it passes through the Koyukuk National Wildlife Refuge. Approximately 112 km from its source, the Gisasa River enters the Koyukuk River at roughly 65° 15.206′ N, 157° 42.529′ W (USGS 1:63,360 series, Kateel River B-4 quadrangle), 90 km upriver from the mouth of the Koyukuk River (Figure 1). Climate of the region is continental subarctic with dramatic seasonal temperature variations and low precipitation. Mean annual air temperature at the village of Galena, 64 km southeast of the Gisasa River, is 3.8°C with extremes ranging from 32°C during summer months to -57°C during winter months (USFWS 1993). The hydrology of this area is dynamic throughout the year, with lower flows generally occurring in late summer. Peak flows usually occur during spring snow melt/breakup or occasionally during summer high precipitation events. Rivers in the area generally begin to freeze during October and breakup during May.

The weir site is located approximately 4 km upriver from the mouth of the Gisasa River. This section of the river is straight with generally laminar flow. The river bed slopes gradually from both stream banks to the thalweg. The river width is approximately 45 m, and depth, measured at the trap located near the thalweg, ranged from 54 to 88 cm throughout the 2011 season (Appendix 2). Predominant substrate at the weir site consists of medium size gravel 35-70 mm diameter.

#### **Methods**

#### Weir Operation

A resistance board weir was used to enumerate and collect biological data from adult salmon as they migrated up the Gisasa River to spawn. The Gisasa River weir has been installed at the same site since the project was initiated in 1994, following the construction and installation methods described by Tobin (1994). More detailed information on deployment of the Gisasa River weir can be found in Melegari and Wiswar (1995). A live trap was installed approximately mid-channel, near the thalweg, allowing fish to be recorded as they passed through the weir and, when necessary, the trap was closed to collect fish for sampling. The weir was visually inspected for integrity and cleaned of debris daily. Cleaning consisted of raking

debris from the upstream surface of the weir or walking across each panel to submerge it enough to allow the current to wash debris downstream. Repairs were made when necessary. Water depth (cm) and temperature (°C) were recorded daily at the trap. Two onset Hobo Pro v2 temperature loggers were deployed to collect water temperature throughout the season. The data was downloaded at the end of the season and the loggers were redeployed to collect data for the entire year. Water temperatures were collected twice daily at approximately 7:30am and 7:30pm. In addition, other water quality parameters were collected with a YSI Professional Plus Multiprobe (Yellow Springs, Ohio) two times daily upstream of the weir in a section of river where water was well mixed.

#### Biological Data

The target start date of the project was based on previous years' salmon run timing data. The end date of the project is determined in-season, normally when the daily count of both species has dropped to less than 1% of the seasonal passage to date and continued at this level for three or more consecutive days, or when logistical constraints require stopping before this point is reached. Daily counts were less than 1% for the last five days of counting for chum salmon and for four out of the last five days for Chinook salmon in 2011. All fish passing through the weir were identified to species and enumerated, with the exception of whitefish *Coregonus* and *Prosopium* spp. Non-salmon species were not handled or identified to species level. Therefore all whitefish species were grouped under the subfamily Coregoninae.

The daily counting schedule was variable, depending on the quantity of fish migrating upriver. Early in the season, when fish passage was low, the weir was unmonitored from 0000 hours to 0800 hours with the trap closed to prevent upstream passage. As fish passage increased, the counting schedule increased to 24 hours per day. Counts and sex ratios from the previous day were reported daily to the FFWFO using a satellite telephone.

A stratified random sampling scheme (Cochran 1977), with weeks as the strata, was used to collect age, sex, and length data from adult Chinook and summer chum salmon. Sampling started at the beginning of each week and generally was conducted over a 3-4 day period, targeting 160 salmon/species/week. Lengths were measured to the nearest 5 mm from mid-eye to fork of the caudal fin (METF) and sex was visually determined by external morphological characteristics. Scales were collected for aging and ages were reported using the European method (Foerster 1968). Three scales were collected from Chinook salmon and one scale from chum salmon. Scales were collected from the left side of the fish, two rows above the lateral line on a diagonal from the posterior insertion of the dorsal fin to the anterior insertion of the anal fin. Scales from both adult salmon species were sent to the ADF&G for processing. All age 1.1 and 1.2 Chinook salmon were assumed to be males (Brady 1983; Bales 2007; Karpovich and DuBois 2007) regardless of the field determination.

#### Data Analysis

Days with counts greater than 6 h but less that 24 h were adjusted for a 24 h period using:

$$E_d = (24/T_d) \bullet C_d,$$

Where  $E_d$  = estimated daily count for day d,  $T_d$  = number of hours sampled during day d, and  $C_d$  = number of fish counted during the time sampled in day d. Counts from days with less than 6 h of the day counted were disregarded and were treated as completely missed days.

Calculations for age and sex information were treated as a stratified random sample (Cochran 1977) with statistical weeks as the strata. A statistical week was defined as beginning on Monday and ending on Sunday. Within a week, the proportion of the samples composed of a given sex or age,  $\hat{p}_{ij}$ , were calculated as:

$$\hat{p}_{ij} = \frac{n_{ij}}{n_i},$$

where  $n_{ij}$  is the number of fish by sex i or age i sampled in week j, and  $n_j$  is the total number of fish sampled in week j. The variance of  $\hat{p}_{ij}$  was calculated as:

$$\hat{v}(\hat{p}_{ij}) = \frac{\hat{p}_{ij}(1 - \hat{p}_{ij})}{n_i - 1}.$$

Sex and age compositions for the total run of Chinook salmon and chum salmon of a given sex or age,  $\hat{p}_i$  were calculated as:

$$\hat{p}_i = \sum_{j-1} \hat{W}_j \, \hat{p}_{ij,}$$

Where  $\hat{W}_{j}$  = the stratum weight and was calculated as:

$$\hat{W}_j = \frac{N_j}{N},$$

and  $N_j$  equals the total number of fish of a given species passing through the weir during week j, and N is the total number of fish of a given species passing through the weir during the run. Variance,  $\hat{v}(\hat{p}_i)$  of sex and age compositions for the run was calculated as

$$\hat{v}(\hat{p}_i) = \sum_{j=1} \hat{W}_j^2 \hat{v}(\hat{p}_{ij}).$$

#### **Results and Discussion**

#### Weir Operation

The weir was fully operational at 1400 hours on June 17, with no fish counted on that day. Counting continued throughout the season with no substantial interruptions. The counting ended for the season at 2400 hours on July 30. The picket spacing (3.5cm space between pickets) within the trap and weir panels was narrow enough to prevent adult Chinook salmon and chum salmon from passing through the weir. However, some individuals of the smaller fish species, such as Arctic grayling *Thymallus arcticus*, whitefish spp. (Coregoninae), and some pink salmon *O. gorbuscha* likely passed through the weir undetected.

The average river stage height during weir operations was 64 cm and ranged between 54 cm and 88 cm. Water temperature during weir operations averaged 11.6°C and ranged between 9.0°C and 17.3°C (Figure 2, Appendix 2). Water chemistry data was also collected and is provided in Appendix 7.

#### Biological Data

The seasonal estimates of fish passage at the weir were 2,692 Chinook salmon and 95,796 summer chum salmon (Table 1; Figure 2). The next most abundant species was longnose sucker *Catostomus catostomus* (N = 49), followed by northern pike *Esox lucius* (N = 41), sockeye salmon *O. nerka* (N = 22), Arctic grayling *Thymallus arcticus* (N = 16), whitefish spp. (Coregoninae; N = 10), and pink salmon (N = 3).

Chinook Salmon — The seasonal estimate of 2,692 Chinook salmon was 11% higher than the 1995-2010 average of 2,420 (1994 was only a partial count and is not included in the averages). The 2011 estimate was the seventh highest weir estimate to date (Figure 2, Appendix 1). Although Chinook salmon counts on the Gisasa River were above average for 2011, most of the runs throughout the rest of Yukon River drainage in 2011 were below average (JTC 2012). The first Chinook salmon was counted on June 26, when one was passed through the weir. During the final day of weir operation (July 30), eight Chinook salmon (0.3% of the seasonal estimate) were counted through the weir. Overall, run timing appeared near average to slightly early, with the first quarter, mid-point and third quarter passage dates (July 9, 14 and 19 respectively) all two days earlier than the 1995-2010 averages (Table 1; Figure 3).

Due to low fish passage during the first week of weir operations, sampling objectives for age, sex, and length data were not attained. Therefore, the first week included one extra day to make the first statistical strata (6/26-7/03; Table 2). In the last statistical strata, sampling objectives were obtained even though the statistical week was shortened to six days (7/25-7/30; Table 2) Data and samples were collected from 683 Chinook salmon during the season, with age unable to be determined for 86 (13%) of those scale samples, primarily due to scale regeneration. There were three primary age classes; 1.2, 1.3, and 1.4 from brood years 2008, 2007, and 2006, respectively. Age class 1.3 was predominant overall, accounting for 57% of the season total, with stratum estimates ranging from 43% to 65%. The second most abundant age class was 1.2, accounting for 31% of the season total, with stratum estimates ranging from 26% to 38%. Age class 1.4 accounted for 12% of the season total with stratum estimates ranging from 8% to 18%. The age distributions differed between males and females. Males were predominantly age 1.3 (61%) followed by age 1.2 (36%), while females were predominantly age 1.4 (61%) followed by age 1.3 (37%). The estimated sex ratio for the entire run was 17% female, and estimates for each stratum ranged from 14% to 28% female fish. The estimate for the entire run is 12% lower than the average historic sex ratio (Appendix 5). Female Chinook salmon ranged from 600 to 990 mm METF with an average for all age classes of 788mm. Males ranged from 360 to 910 mm METF with an average for all age classes of 725mm (Table 3). For length-at-age, the means of female fish were larger than males.

Chum Salmon — Returns of summer chum salmon to the Gisasa River during 2011 were above average and this was consistent with most tributaries in the Yukon River drainage (JTC 2012). The 1995-2010 average of seasonal estimates for summer chum salmon in the Gisasa River is greatly influenced by the high escapements during 1995, 1996, 2005, and 2006 (Figure 4), thus the average may not be a good measure of central tendency. For this reason, the 2011 estimate is also compared to the historical median. The 2011 estimate of 95,796 summer chum salmon was 45% higher than the average (66,279), and was 59% higher than the median (36,938) for the same period (Figure 5; Figure 6; Appendix 1). Furthermore, the 2011 estimate was the fifth highest weir estimate to date (Figure 4, Appendix 1). The first chum salmon was counted on June 20. During the final day of counting (July 30), 262 summer chum salmon (0.3% of the seasonal estimate) were passed through the weir. Run timing was slightly later than average,

with the first quarter passage date (July 5) similar to the 1995-2010 average, while both the midpoint and third quarter passage dates (July 11, and 19 respectively) occurred one and three days later than the 1995-2010 averages. The 2011 escapement estimate also showed a bimodal run distribution (Figure 5, Table 1) with a peak on July 7 and another peak almost two weeks later on July 20.

Sampling objectives for age, sex, and length data were attained for all statistical weeks of weir operations. This included the last statistical week, which was shortened by one day (7/25-7/30; Table 4). Age, sex, and length data were collected from 968 summer chum salmon, with age unable to be determined for 122 (13%) of the scale samples. Age class 0.3 was predominant, accounting for 54% of the season total, with stratum estimates ranging from 32% to 73%. Age class 0.4 was the next most abundant, and accounted for 44% of the season total, with stratum estimates ranging from 23% to 68%. Also included were age classes 0.2 and 0.5, accounting for 1% and <1% of the season total respectively. Age distributions were similar for both sexes. The estimated sex ratio for the entire run was 54% female, and estimates for each stratum ranged from 39% to 74% female fish. The estimate for the entire run is 3% higher than the historic sex ratio (Appendix 5). Female summer chum salmon ranged from 445 to 670 mm METF with an average for all age classes of 508mm. Males ranged from 485 to 680 mm METF with an average for all age classes of 560mm (Table 5). For length-at-age measurements, mean lengths of male fish were larger than females.

The information collected at the Gisasa River weir is vital to the difficult task of managing the complex mixed-stock subsistence and commercial salmon fisheries in the Yukon River. Inseason management and post season evaluations of management actions are greatly enhanced by the data from this and other stock assessment projects. Additionally, this project has produced 18 years of data enabling analyses of trends in population status, size, length, age, and gender composition of the run, developing future run projections, and setting and evaluating harvest and escapement goals and allocations. Furthermore, these time series data will become increasingly valuable as stressors such as climate change, disease, selective harvest, and overall demand on the resources of the dynamic Yukon River system continue to increase.

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**Table 1.** — Daily and cumulative (Cum) estimates of Chinook salmon and summer chum salmon passage, and daily counts of other species, at the Gisasa River weir, Alaska, 2011. Asterisks (\*) indicate first, mid, and third quarter points of Chinook salmon and summer chum salmon passage estimates.

	Chinook	salmon	Chum	salmon	Pink salmon	Longnose sucker	Northern pike	Arctic grayling	Sockeye salmon	Whitefish spp.
Date	Daily	Cum	Daily	Cum	Daily	Daily	Daily	Daily	Daily	Daily
Jun-18	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0
Jun-19	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	1	0	2
Jun-20	0	0	4	4	0	3	1	0	0	1
Jun-21	0	0	13	17	0	7	1	0	0	1
Jun-22	0	0	117	134	0	2	0	0	0	0
Jun-23	0	0	228	362	0	2	1	0	0	0
Jun-24	0	0	312	674	0	8	1	0	0	0
Jun-25	0	0	331	1,005	0	13	2	0	0	0
Jun-26	1	1	365	1,370	0	1	1	0	0	1
Jun-27	3	4	494	1,864	0	2	6	3	0	0
Jun-28	3	7	652	2,516	0	2	1	2	0	0
Jun-29	7	14	1,213	3,729	0	1	0	2	0	1
Jun-30	8	22	2,345	6,074	0	2	1	0	0	0
Jul-01	30	52	2,606	8,680	0	0	0	0	0	1
Jul-02	32	84	3,053	11,733	0	0	3	0	0	1
Jul-03	33	117	3,841	15,574	0	0	3	1	1	0
Jul-04	74	191	4,311	19,885	0	0	3	0	0	0
Jul-05	94	285	4,460	24,345*	0	0	0	0	0	0
Jul-06	115	400	5,013	29,358	0	0	1	0	0	0
Jul-07	96	496	5,622	34,980	0	0	0	1	0	0
Jul-08	153	649	4,774	39,754	0	0	2	0	0	0
Jul-09	212	861*	4,072	43,826	0	1	4	0	0	0
Jul-10	135	996	2,894	46,720	0	0	0	1	1	0
Jul-11	109	1,105	1,718	48,438*	0	0	2	2	0	0
Jul-12	138	1,243	1,456	49,894	2	0	2	0	0	0
Jul-13	95	1,338	1,121	51,015	0	0	1	0	0	0
Jul-14	167	1,505*	2,759	53,774	0	0	1	0	1	0
Jul-15	131	1,636	3,729	57,503	0	0	0	0	0	1
Jul-16	157	1,793	4,656	62,159	0	0	1	1	1	0
Jul-17	65	1,858	5,152	67,311	0	0	0	0	0	0
Jul-18	140	1,998	4,292	71,603	1	0	0	0	1	0
Jul-19	86	2,084*	5,106	76,709*	0	0	1	1	1	0
Jul-20	204	2,288	5,457	82,166	0	0	0	0	0	0
Jul-21	125	2,413	4,533	86,699	0	0	0	1	3	0
Jul-22	100	2,513	2,501	89,200	0	0	0	0	2	0
Jul-23	61	2,574	1,551	90,751	0	0	1	0	1	0
Jul-24	29	2,603	1,413	92,164	0	0	0	0	1	0
Jul-25	15	2,618	939	93,103	0	0	0	0	0	0
Jul-26	29	2,647	859	93,962	0	0	0	0	2	1
Jul-27	20	2,667	743	94,705	0	0	0	0	3	0
Jul-28	11	2,678	495	95,200	0	0	1	0	4	0
Jul-29	6	2,684	334	95,534	0	0	0	0	0	0
Jul-30	8	2,692	262	95,796	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	2,692		95,796		3	49	41	16	22	10

**Table 2**. — Age and sex ratio estimates, by stratum, of Chinook salmon at Gisasa River weir, Alaska, 2011. Standard errors are in parentheses. Season totals are calculated from weighted strata totals. Unknown age indicates numbers of fish that could not be aged from the scales sampled and were not included in age calculations.

					Brood year and age									
Strata	Run size	Sample	%	Unknown-	2008	2007	20	06	200	)5	200	)4		
dates	(N)	1	Female	age	1.1	1.2	1.3	2.2	1.4	2.3	1.5	2.4		
6/26-7/3	117	101	26 (4.4)	12	0%(0.0)	26%(4.7)	65%(5.1)	0%(0.0)	8%(2.9)	1%(1.1)	0%(0.0)	0%(0.0)		
7/4 - 10	879	190	16 (2.7)	25	0%(0.0)	31%(3.6)	61%(3.8)	0%(0.0)	8%(2.2)	0%(0.0)	0%(0.0)	0%(0.0)		
7/11 - 17	862	160	14 (2.8)	18	0%(0.0)	29%(3.8)	58%(4.2)	0%(0.0)	13%(2.9)	0%(0.0)	0%(0.0)	0%(0.0)		
7/18 - 24	745	145	17 (3.1)	20	0%(0.0)	32%(4.2)	52%(4.5)	2%(1.1)	13%(3.0)	0%(0.0)	<1%(0.8)	0%(0.0)		
7/25 - 30	89	87	28 (4.8)	11	0%(0.0)	38%(5.7)	43%(5.8)	0%(0.0)	18%(4.5)	1%(1.4)	0%(0.0)	0%(0.0)		
Total	2,692	683	17 (1.5)	86	0%(0.0)	31%(2.1)	57%(2.2)	<1%(0.3)	12%(1.4)	<1%(0.1)	<1%(0.2)	0%(0.0)		
Female	446	128		21	0%(0.0)	0%(0.0)	37%(5.0)	0%(0.0)	61%(5.1)	0%(0.0)	1%(1.4)	0%(0.0)		
Male	2,246	555		65	0%(0.0)	36%(2.4)	61%(2.4)	<1%(0.4)	2%(0.7)	<1%(0.1)	0%(0.0)	0%(0.0)		

Table 3. — Length at age of female and male Chinook salmon sampled at Gisasa River weir, Alaska, 2011.

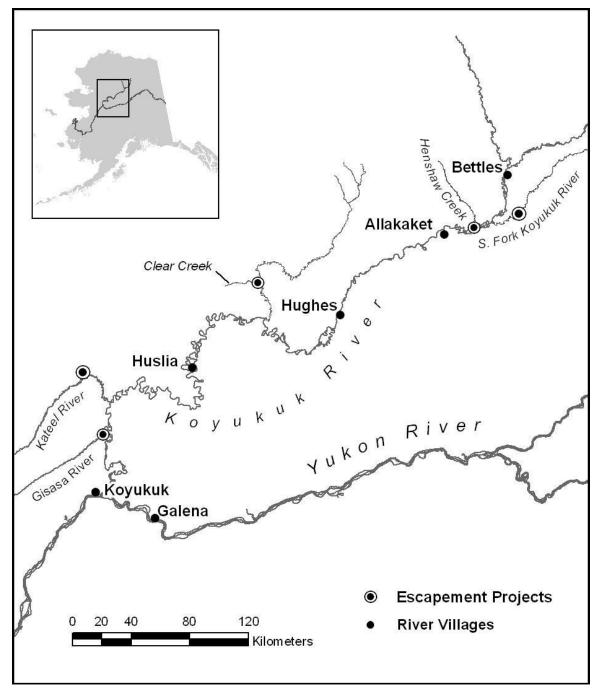
			Fen	nale		Male						
		Mi	d-eye to	fork length	(mm)		M	id-eye to	fork length	(mm)		
Age	N	Mean	SE	Median	Range	N	Mean	SE	Median	Range		
1.2	0	-	-	-	-	183	529	3.6	530	395 - 660		
2.1	0	-	-	-	-	2	385	25.0	385	360 - 410		
1.3	47	725	9.9	715	600 - 845	290	684	3.3	680	545 - 860		
2.2	0	-	-	-	-	2	645	5.0	645	640 - 650		
1.4	59	842	5.7	840	760 - 990	10	818	15.5	815	750 - 910		
2.3	0	-	-	-	-	2	665	60	665	605 - 725		
1.5	1	910	-	-	-	0	-	-	-	-		
2.5	0	-	-	-	-	1	910	-	-	-		
Total	107	788				490	725					

**Table 4.** — Age and sex ratio estimates, by stratum, of summer chum salmon at Gisasa River weir, Alaska, 2011. Standard errors are in parentheses. Season totals are calculated from weighted strata totals. Unknown age data indicate numbers of fish that could not be aged from the scales sampled and were not included in age calculations.

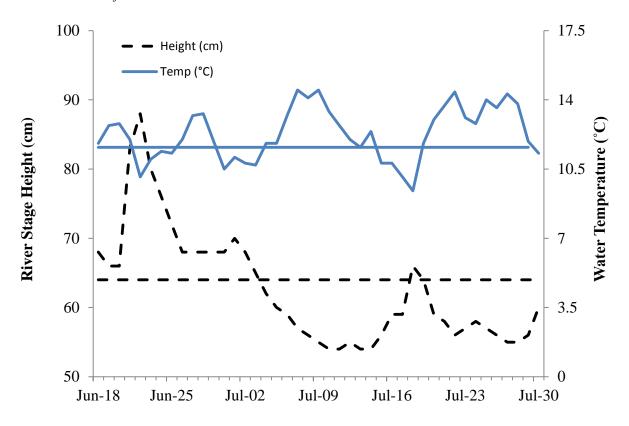
						r and age		
	Run size	Sample		Unknown -	2008	2007	2006	2005
Strata dates	(N)	size (n)	% Female	age	0.2	0.3	0.4	0.5
6/20 - 26	1,370	208	39 (3.4)	29	0% (0.0)	32% (3.5)	68% 3.5)	0% (0.0)
6/27 - 7/3	14,204	160	41 (3.9)	17	0% (0.0)	45% (4.2)	55% (4.2)	0% (0.0)
7/4 - 10	31,146	160	49 (4.0)	20	1% (0.7)	59% (4.2)	41% (4.2)	0% (0.0)
7/11 -17	20,591	160	58 (3.9)	18	1% (0.7)	49% (4.2)	50% (4.2)	0% (0.0)
7/18 - 24	24,853	160	61 (3.9)	19	4% (1.6)	57% (4.2)	39% (4.1)	0% (0.0)
7/25 - 30	3,632	120	74 (4.0)	19	3% (1.7)	73% (4.4)	23% (4.2)	<1% (1.0)
Total	95,796	968	54 (1.9)	122	1% (0.5)	54% (2.1)	44% (2.1)	<1% (0.0)
Female	51,378	505		60	1% (0.0)	56% (2.8)	43% (2.8)	0% (0.0)
Male	44,418	463		62	1% (0.0)	53% (3.1)	46% (3.1)	<1% (0.1)

Table 5. — Length at age of female and male summer chum salmon sampled at Gisasa River weir, Alaska, 2011.

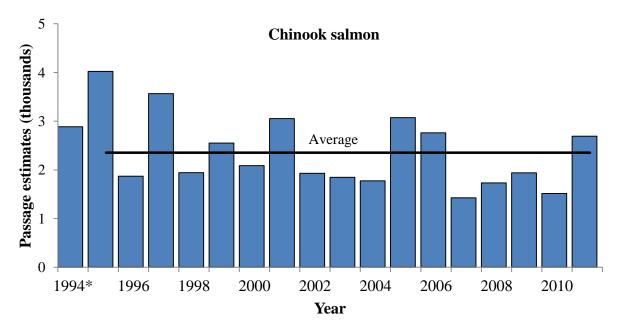
			Fem	ale		Male						
	,	Mi	d-eye to	fork length	(mm)		Mi	d-eye to	fork length	(mm)		
Age	N	Mean	SE	Median	Range	N	Mean	SE	Median	Range		
0.2	6	518	5.4	518	505 - 535	4	558	8.3	553	545 - 580		
0.3	239	536	1.9	535	445 - 625	189	568	2.0	570	485 - 635		
0.4	200	551	2.0	555	490 - 670	207	587	2.1	585	485 - 680		
0.5	0	-	-	-	-	1	600	-	-	-		
Total	445	508				401	560					



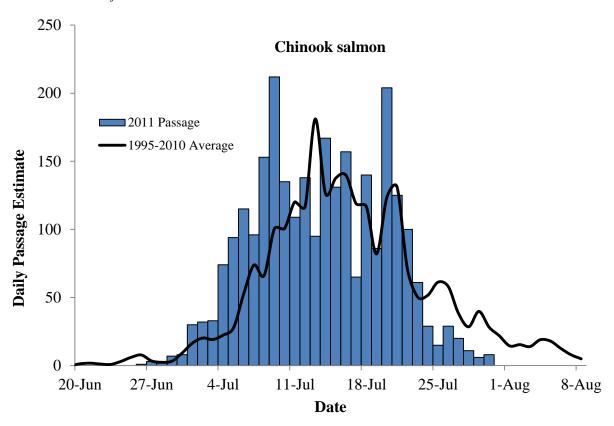
**Figure 1**. — Location of the Gisasa River weir and other active and historical tributary escapement project sites in the Koyukuk River drainage, Alaska.



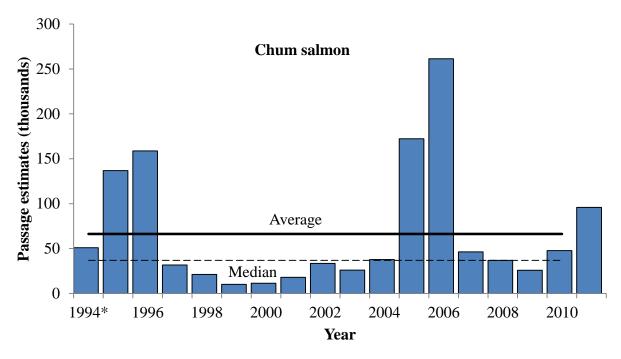
**Figure 2**. — River stage heights and water temperature at the Gisasa River weir, Alaska, 2011. Horizontal lines represent the seasonal average for river stage height (dashed) and water temperature (solid).



**Figure 3**. — Chinook salmon escapement estimates at the Gisasa River weir 1994 - 2011. \*Data from the first year of operation (1994) is only a partial count, counting did not begin until July 10, after the run was underway and this data is not included in averages. Horizontal line represents the 1995 – 2010 average.



**Figure 4**. — 2011 daily and 1995-2010 average daily estimated Chinook salmon passage through Gisasa River weir, Alaska.



**Figure 5**. — Chum salmon escapement estimates at the Gisasa River weir 1994-2011. \*Data from the first year of operation (1994), is only a partial count; counting did not begin until July 10, after the run was underway and 1994 data is not included in averages. Horizontal lines represent the 1995-2010 average (solid) and median (dashed).

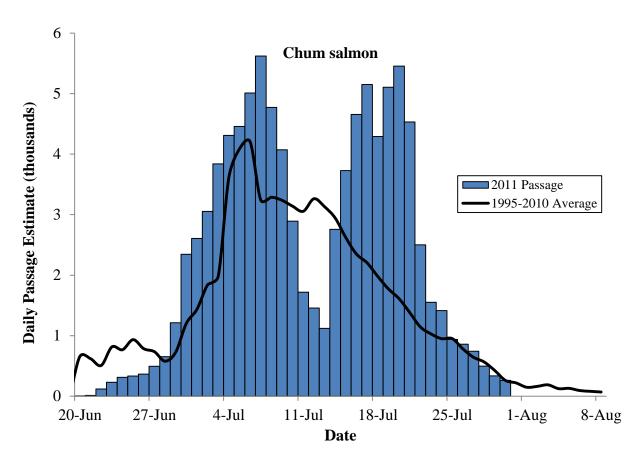


Figure 6. — 2011 daily and 1995-2010 average estimated chum salmon passage through Gisasa River weir, Alaska.

**Appendix 1**. — Historical Chinook salmon and summer chum salmon counts in the Gisasa River, Alaska 1960 - 2011 (Aerial index data from Barton 1984; Alaska Department of Fish and Game unpublished data)

		erial index estimates	•	id Game unpublished dat Weir escapem	
Year	Chinook salmon	Chum salmon	Survey rating	Chinook salmon	Chum salmon
1960	300	400	Good		
1961	266	0	Good		
1974	161	22,022	Good		
1975	385	56,904	Good		
1976	332	21,342	Good		
1977	255	2,204	Good		
1978	45	9,280	Good		
1979	484	10,962	Good		
1980	951	10,388	Good		
1982	421	334	Good		
1983	572	2,356	Good		
1985	735	13,232	Good		
1986	1,346	12,114	Good		
1987	731	2,123	Good		
1988	797	9,284	Good		
1990	884	450	Good		
1991	1,690	7,003	Good		
1992	910	9,300	Good		
1993	1,573	1,581	Good		
1994	2,775	6,827	Good	2,888 <sup>a</sup>	51,116 <sup>a</sup>
1995	410	6,458	Good	4,023	136,886
1996				1,991	158,752
1997	144	686	Good	3,764	31,800
1998	889		Poor	2,414	21,142
1999				2,644	10,155
2000				2,089	11,410
2001	1298		Good	3,052	17,946
2002	506		Good	2,025	33,481
2003				1,901	25,999
2004	731		Good	1,774	37,851
2005	958		Good	3,111	172,259
2006	843	1,000	Fair	3,030	261,305
2007	593		Fair	1,427	46,257
2008	487	20470	Fair	1,738	36,938
2009	515	1,060	Good	1,955	25,904
2010	264	1,096	Fair	1,516	47,669
2011	906	13,228	Good	2,692	95,796

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup> Partial weir count.

**Appendix 2**. — Water depth, water temperature, and air temperature data collected at the Gisasa River weir, 2011. Depth is the water level at the trap.

	Water d	epth (m)	Water temp	erature (°C)	Air temp	erature (°C)
Date	AM	PM	AM	PM	AM	PM
Jun-17			9.0		9.5	
Jun-18		0.68	10.0	14.1	10.5	22.5
Jun-19	0.68	0.66	11.8	15.6	11.0	24.5
Jun-20	0.66	0.66	12.7	14.4	13.0	17.0
Jun-21	0.66	0.68	12.9	13.9	13.5	16.0
Jun-22	0.83	0.94	12.0	11.5	11.0	14.0
Jun-23	0.88	0.80	10.1	12.0	9.5	14.5
Jun-24	0.80	0.76	11.0	13.6	7.0	19.0
Jun-25	0.76	0.72	11.4	12.9	9.5	21.0
Jun-26	0.72	0.69	11.3	13.8	9.0	22.0
Jun-27	0.68	0.68	12.0	14.9	10.5	16.0
Jun-28	0.68	0.68	13.2	15.0	12.0	21.0
Jun-29	0.68	0.68	13.3	13.3	15.0	17.0
Jun-30	0.68	0.68	11.9	12.1	13.0	14.0
Jul-1	0.68	0.70	10.5	12.4	8.0	12.5
Jul-2	0.70	0.70	11.1	12.9	9.0	16.0
Jul-3	0.68	0.66	10.8	13.2	8.0	15.0
Jul-4	0.65	0.62	10.7	13.7	7.0	15.0
Jul-5	0.62	0.60	11.8	13.7	10.0	18.0
Jul-6	0.60	0.59	11.8	15.5	11.0	22.0
Jul-7	0.59	0.58	13.2	17.3	13.0	28.0
Jul-8	0.57	0.56	14.5	16.9	14.0	21.0
Jul-9	0.56	0.55	14.1	17.3	10.5	21.0
Jul-10	0.55	0.55	14.5	15.5	13.0	17.0
Jul-11	0.54	0.54	13.4	13.6	11.4	15.0
Jul-12	0.54	0.54	12.7	15.0	12.7	13.5
Jul-13	0.55	0.54	12.0	12.8	5.2	12.8
Jul-14	0.54	0.53	11.6	14.0	9.4	14.8
Jul-15	0.54	0.54	12.4	14.0	9.7	13.2
Jul-16	0.56	0.59	10.8	13.6	2.6	12.3
Jul-17	0.59	0.59	10.8	12.3	7.3	12.2
Jul-18	0.59	0.61	10.1	11.8	4.6	12.8
Jul-19	0.66	0.64	9.4	13.1	3.7	11.5
Jul-20	0.64	0.60	11.8	14.9	10.1	18.4
Jul-21	0.59	0.58	13.0	15.8	12.6	20.9
Jul-22	0.58	0.57	13.7	16.8	11.1	21.2
Jul-23	0.56	0.56	14.4	14.6	12.7	15.3
Jul-24	0.57	0.58	13.1	15.2	12.0	13.0
Jul-25	0.58	0.58	12.8	16.3	10.2	18.1
Jul-26	0.57	0.56	14.0	15.8	12.4	18.8
Jul-27	0.56	0.55	13.6	17.3	13.0	21.1
Jul-28	0.55	0.55	14.3	16.4	10.6	16.1
Jul-29	0.55	0.56	13.8	13.3	8.3	11.8
Jul-30	0.56	0.58	11.9	12.8	8.7	13.8
Jul-31	0.60	0.59	11.3	13.3	8.8	14.1
Aug-1			11.8	12.2	9.50	12.40

**Appendix 3**. — Historical daily and cumulative Chinook salmon counts from Gisasa River weir, 1994-2011. Boxes indicate first quarter, mid, and third quarter points of the run.

	1994 <sup>a</sup>	199	95	19	96	19	97	19	98	19	99	20	00	20	01
Date	Daily	Daily	Cum	Daily	Cum	<u>Dai</u> ly	Cum	Daily	Cum	<u>Dai</u> ly	Cum		Cum	<u>Dai</u> ly	Cum
Jun-15															
Jun-16															
Jun-17															
Jun-18															
Jun-19				0	0	0	0								
Jun-20				4	4	0	0								
Jun-21		0	0	9	13	0	0	0	0						
Jun-22		1	1	6	19	0	0	0	0						
Jun-23		0	1	8	27	0	0	0	0	0	0				
Jun-24		2	3	32	59	0	0	0	0	0	0				
Jun-25		4	7	63	122	0	0	0	0	0	0				
Jun-26		1	8	69	191	0	0	0	0	0	0				
Jun-27		5	13	16	207	0	0	2	2	0	0				
Jun-28		19	32	46 <sup>c</sup>	253	0	0	0	2	1	1	0	0		
un-29		23	55	76 <sup>b</sup>	329	0	0	1	3	0	1	0	0		
un-30		46	101	30	359	0	0	2	5	0	1	0	0		
Jul-1		82	183	57	416	1	1	5	10	0	1	0	0		
Jul-2		46	229	72	488	3	4	13 <sup>b</sup>	23	0	1	0	0		
Jul-3		35	264	28	516	9	13	18 <sup>c</sup>	41	0	1	0	0		
Jul-3 Jul-4		53 57	321	28 35	551	2	15	22 <sup>c</sup>	63	0	1	0	0		
Jul-4 Jul-5		39	360	41	592	33	48	26°	89	1	2	0	0		
Jul-6		92	452	78	670	11	59	30 <sup>b</sup>	119	2	4	13	13		
Jul-0 Jul-7		258	710	234	904	6	65	30 37	156	1	5	8	21	18	18
Jul-7 Jul-8					955	78		71	227		10	70	91		59
		175	885	51			143			5				41	
Jul-9		184	1,069	63	1,018	120	263	71	298	45	55	40	131	43	102
Jul-10		300	1,369	81	1,099	64	327	107	405	60	115	21	152	26	128
Jul-11	2.2	385	1,754	70	1,169	70	397	116	521	80	195	28	180	100	228
Jul-12	212	281	2,035	51	1,220	138	535	142	663	19	214	40	220	63	291
Jul-13	259	468	2,503	215	1,435	310	845	163	826	83	297	82	302	63	354
Jul-14	189	205	2,708	158	1,593	320	1,165	225	1,051	49	346	103	405	117	471
Jul-15	239	104	2,812	40	1,633	144	1,309	102	1,153	50	396	345	750	306	777
Jul-16	355	211	3,023	26	1,659	424	1,733	155	1,308	89	485	223	973	196	973
Jul-17	248	126	3,149	14	1,673	137	1,870	115	1,423	37	522	59	1,032	299	1,272
Jul-18	219	72	3,221	38	1,711	38	1,908	147	1,570	154	676	177	1,209	238	1,510
Jul-19	302	155	3,376	54	1,765	112	2,020	74	1,644	30	706	66	1,275	258	1,768
Jul-20	248	62	3,438	93	1,858	146	2,166	62	1,706	397	1,103	41	1,316	388	2,156
Jul-21	70	87	3,525	15	1,873	632	2,798	50	1,756	363	1,466	66	1,382	254	2,410
Jul-22	42	79	3,604	17	1,890	92	2,890	75	1,831	27	1,493	188	1,570	74	2,484
Jul-23	100	68	3,672	18	1,908	257	3,147	54	1,885	26	1,519	53	1,623	44	2,528
Jul-24	99	87	3,759	45	1,953	88	3,235	90	1,975	70	1,589	89	1,712	25	2,553
Jul-25	65	42	3,801	4	1,957	91	3,326	84 <sup>c</sup>	2,059	307	1,896	42	1,754	36	2,589
Jul-26	48	21	3,822	21	1,978	142	3,468	78 <sup>c</sup>	2,137	276	2,172	13	1,767	37	2,626
Jul-27	39	45	3,867	13	1,991	98	3,566	73 <sup>c</sup>	2,210	103	2,275	23	1,790	14	2,640
Jul-28	33	35	3,902					67 <sup>c</sup>	2,277	106	2,381	18	1,808	27	2,667
Jul-29	32	11	3,913					61 <sup>b</sup>	2,338	68	2,449	79	1,887	149	2,816
Jul-30	24	42	3,955					33	2,371	40	2,489	52	1,939	20	2,836
Jul-31	9	29	3,984					17	2,388	33 <sup>c</sup>	2,522	27	1,966	88	2,924
Aug-1	21	14	3,998					14	2,402	27 <sup>c</sup>	2,549	27	1,993	18	2,942
Aug-2	12	8	4,006					12	2,414	20°	2,569	34	2,027	23	2,965
Aug-3	5	17	4,023						_,	13 <sup>b</sup>	2,582	24	2,051	9	2,974
Aug-4	2	1,	.,023							13	2,595	16	2,067	28	3,002
Aug-5	3									15	2,610	10	2,007	29	3,031
Aug-5	5									23	2,633	3	2,080	12	3,043
Aug-7	6									11	2,644	9	2,080	4	3,043
-	1									11	2,044	,	2,007	5	3,052
Aug-8	1													3	3,03

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	200	00	20	10	2011			
Date	Daily	Cum	Daily	Cum	Daily	Cum		
Jun-15	Duny	Cum	Duny	Cum	Duny	Cum		
Jun-16								
Jun-17			0	0				
Jun-18			0	0	0	0		
Jun-19			0	0	0	0		
Jun-20			0	0	0	0		
Jun-21			0	0	0	0		
Jun-22			0	0	0	0		
Jun-23	0	0	0	0	0	0		
Jun-24	0	0	0	0	0	0		
Jun-25	0	0	0	0	0	0		
Jun-26	0	0	0	0	1	1		
Jun-27	0	0	0	0	3	4		
Jun-28	0	0	0	0	3	7		
Jun-29	0	0	0	0	7	14		
Jun-30	0	0	2	2	8	22		
Jul-1	5	5	3	5	30	52		
Jul-1 Jul-2	0	5	22	27	32	84		
Jul-2 Jul-3	6	11	30	57	33	117		
Jul-3 Jul-4	3	14			33 74	191		
	3 7	21	9 21	66 87	74 94	285		
Jul-5	12			87				
Jul-6	12	33 45	79	166	115	400		
Jul-7			32	198	96 152	496		
Jul-8	44	89	22	220	153	649		
Jul-9	36	125	22	242	212	861		
Jul-10	23	148	69	311	135	996		
Jul-11	254	402	33	344	109	1,105		
Jul-12	40	442	54	398	138	1,243		
Jul-13	288	730	38	436	95	1,338		
Jul-14	40	770	67	503	167	1,505		
Jul-15	189	959	10	513	131	1,636		
Jul-16	201	1,160	54	567	157	1,793		
Jul-17	90	1,250	33	600	65	1,858		
Jul-18	200	1,450	31	631	140	1,998		
Jul-19	20	1,470	99	730	86	2,084		
Jul-20	27	1,497	400	1,130	204	2,288		
Jul-21	86	1,583	69	1,199	125	2,413		
Jul-22	105	1,688	77	1,276	100	2,513		
Jul-23	20	1,708	30	1,306	61	2,574		
Jul-24	39	1,747	35	1,341	29	2,603		
Jul-25	140	1,887	49	1,390	15	2,618		
Jul-26	13	1,900	17	1,407	29	2,647		
Jul-27	12	1,912	32	1,439	20	2,667		
Jul-28	9	1,921	23	1,462	11	2,678		
Jul-29	20	1,941	14	1,476	6	2,684		
Jul-30	14 <sup>b</sup>	1,955	36	1,512	8	2,692		
Jul-31			4	1,516				
Aug-1								
Aug-2								
Aug-3								
Aug-4								
Aug-5								
Aug-6								

Aug-6

a Incomplete count, counting did not begin until after the run had started.
b Partial daily count, count expanded to 24 hours
c Weir not counting due to high water, counts interpolated.

**Appendix 4**. — Historical daily and cumulative summer chum salmon counts from Gisasa River weir, 1994-2011. Boxes indicate first quarter, mid, and third quarter points of the run.

	1994 <sup>a</sup>		95		96		97	199		19		20	
Date	Daily	Daily	Cum	Daily	Cum	Daily	Cum	Daily	Cum	Daily	Cum	Daily	Cum
Jun-15						0	0						
Jun-16						8	8						
Jun-17						0	8						
Jun-18						1	9						
Jun-19				160	160	8	17						
Jun-20				2,620	2,780	11	28						
Jun-21		3	3	3,679	6,459	10	38	8	8				
Jun-22		131	134	3,234	9,693	30	68	20	28				
Jun-23		254	388	6,736	16,429	28	96	69	97	0	0		
Jun-24		382	770	7,461	23,890	60	156	114	211	0	0		
Jun-25		653	1,423	7,855	31,745	535	691	279	490	0	0		
Jun-26		955	2,378	5,744	37,489	247	938	147	637	0	0		
Jun-27		1,123	3,501	4,422	41,911	696	1,634	202	839	0	0		
Jun-28		2,117	5,618	4,982 <sup>c</sup>	46,893	1,074	2,708	253	1,092	0	0	27	27
Jun-29		1,950	7,568	5,542 <sup>b</sup>	52,435	696	3,404	291	1,383	0	0	146	173
Jun-30		2,678	10,246	4,939	57,374	373	3,777	297	1,680	1	1	35	208
Jul-1		2,747	12,993	5,849	63,223	769	4,546	359	2,039	0	1	6	214
Jul-2		2,911	15,904	7,692	70,915	681	5,227	390 <sup>b</sup>	2,429	0	1	11	225
Jul-3		3,253	19,157	5,703	76,618	852	6,079	838 <sup>c</sup>	3,267	1	2	33	258
Jul-4		2,967	22,124	7,250	83,868	1,431	7,510	1,286 <sup>c</sup>	4,553	113	115	140	398
Jul-5		3,908	26,032		94,483	1,895	9,405	1,734°	6,287	115	230	462	860
Jul-6		5,663	31,695		105,123	1,678	11,083	$2,182^{\mathbf{b}}$	8,469	50	280	410	1,270
Jul-7		6,765	38,460	7,103	112,226	1,466	12,549	1,075	9,544	257	537	386	1,656
Jul-8		7,439	45,899	6,241	118,467	1,162	13,711	1,017	10,561	376	913	493	2,149
Jul-9		8,347	54,246	4,698	123,165	925	14,636	1,041	11,602	517	1,430	366	2,515
Jul-10		10,664	64,910	4,612	127,777	1,096	15,732	911	12,513	467	1,897	352	2,867
Jul-11		11,207	76,117	4,571	132,348	1,052	16,784	740	13,253	423	2,320	414	3,281
Jul-12	6,178	9,710	85,827	4,511	136,859	1,394	18,178	658	13,911	281	2,601	500	3,781
Jul-13	4,528	9,699	95,526	4,045	140,904	1,081	19,259	623	14,534	299	2,900	559	4,340
Jul-14	5,195	6,519	102,045	4,868	145,772	1,113	20,372	735	15,269	497	3,397	500	4,840
Jul-15	5,449	4,396	106,441	3,691	149,463	1,140	21,512	534	15,803	423	3,820	678	5,518
Jul-16	3,347	4,690	111,131	2,160	151,623	1,339	22,851	687	16,490	426	4,246	778	6,296
Jul-17	3,450	3,344	114,475	1,750	153,373	1,248	24,099	644	17,134	277	4,523	579	6,875
Jul-18	2,193		117,236	1,282	154,655	693	24,792	487	17,621	372	4,895	931	7,806
Jul-19	2,089	2,706	119,942	1,081	155,736	795	25,587	385	18,006	372	5,267	512	8,318
Jul-20	2,007		122,886	456	156,192	721	26,308	253	18,259	388	5,655	390	8,708
Jul-21	1,416		125,347	465	156,657	724	27,032	310	18,569	300	5,955	298	9,006
Jul-22	1,864		127,056	265	156,922	1,233	28,265	262	18,831	202	6,157	370	9,376
Jul-23	2,138	1,524	128,580	334	157,256	1,081	29,346	267	19,098	267	6,424	291	9,667
Jul-24	1,676	1,343	129,923		157,576	564	29,910	292	19,390	354	6,778	173	9,840
Jul-25	2,120		131,203	348	157,924	918	30,828	294 <sup>c</sup>	19,684	644	7,422	154	9,994
Jul-26	1,994		132,276		158,416	367	31,195	296 <sup>c</sup>	19,980	433	7,855	100	10,094
Jul-27	1,325		133,434		158,752	605	31,800	297 <sup>c</sup>	20,277	252	8,107	141	10,235
Jul-28	994		134,330		ĺ		,	299 <sup>c</sup>	20,576	239	8,346	112	10,347
Jul-29	671		134,986					301 <sup>b</sup>	20,877	315	8,661	215	10,562
Jul-30	360		135,486					91	20,968	165	8,826	206	10,768
Jul-31	321		135,925					69	21,037	184 <sup>c</sup>	9,010	171	10,939
Aug-1	247		136,224					58	21,095	203 <sup>c</sup>	9,213	90	11,029
Aug-2	205		136,554					47	21,142	221°	9,434	116	11,145
Aug-3	225		136,886					- *	·,- ·-	240 <sup>b</sup>	9,674	88	11,233
Aug-4	238	232	0,000							135	9,809	72	11,305
Aug-5	259									168	9,977	44	11,349
Aug-5	194									109	10,086	25	11,374
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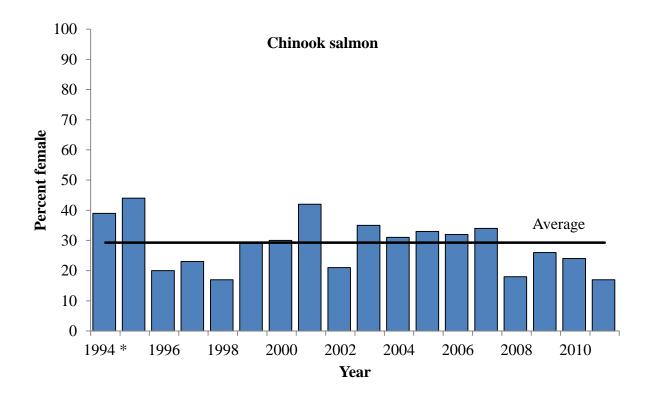
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Jun-24			68	90			36	36				
Jun-25			150	240			459	495				
Jun-26			128	368			1,005	1,500				
Jun-27			228	596			1,527	3,027				
Jun-28			356	952	248	248	1,499	4,526			1,560	1,560
Jun-29			570	1,522	230	478	1,732	6,258	3,357 <sup>b</sup>	3,357	2,788	4,348
Jun-30			1,331	2,853	561	1,039	1,007	7,265	1,850	5,207	3,996 <sup>b</sup>	
Jul-1			1,116	3,969	890	1,929	853	8,118	2,226	7,433	10,192°	
Jul-2			803	4,772	655	2,584	900	9,018	2,092	9,525	16,192 16,387 <sup>c</sup>	
Jul-3			833	5,605	680°	3,264	858	9,876	2,884	12,409	22,583 <sup>b</sup>	
Jul-3 Jul-4			430	6,035	706 <sup>c</sup>	3,204	709	10,585	3,702	16,111	22,583	79,403
Jul-4 Jul-5			1,059	7,094	706 731 <sup>b</sup>	4,701	1,201	11,786	6,330	22,441	19,597	99,000
			1,765		609							
Jul-6	220	220		8,859		5,310	1,855	13,641	8,352	30,793	19,538	118,538
Jul-7	229 705	229 934	2,293	11,152	1,181 957	6,491	1,093	14,734	8,404	39,197	12,310	130,848
Jul-8 Jul-9	703 758	1,692	2,122 1,879	13,274	1,222	7,448 8,670	1,836 1,939	16,570 18,509	6,564 5,980	45,761	14,500 16,121	145,348
				15,153						51,741		161,469
Jul-10	1,176	2,868	2,446	17,599	1,004	9,674	1,655	20,164	4,621	56,362	14,216	175,685
Jul-11	1,305	4,173	1,493	19,092	1,455	11,129	1,596	21,760	4,807	61,169	13,101	188,786
Jul-12	1,522	5,695	1,731	20,823	1,303	12,432	1,568	23,328	10,256	71,425	11,011	199,797
Jul-13	1,781	7,476	1,898	22,721	1,361	13,793	1,824	25,152	12,057	83,482	8,398	208,195
Jul-14	2,032	9,508	1,608	24,329	909	14,702	1,632	26,784	11,537	95,019	6,795	214,990
Jul-15	1,741	11,249	1,017	25,346	1,287	15,989	1,289	28,073	9,813	104,832	6,286	221,276
Jul-16	998	12,247	1,225	26,571	529	16,518	1,503	29,576	9,981	114,813	5,477	226,753
Jul-17	727 575	12,974	1,186	27,757	1,321	17,839	1,240	30,816	8,076	122,889	6,257	233,010
Jul-18	575	13,549	1,086	28,843	1,924	19,763	917	31,733	9,758	132,647	4,847	237,857
Jul-19	708	14,257	774	29,617	1,439	21,202	951	32,684	7,031	139,678	4,734	242,591
Jul-20	616	14,873	728	30,345	823	22,025	685	33,369	5,716	145,394	3,991	246,582
Jul-21	549	15,422	669	31,014	626	22,651	846	34,215	5,324	150,718	3,082	249,664
Jul-22	492	15,914	544	31,558	432	23,083	572	34,787	4,490	155,208	2,498	252,162
Jul-23	432	16,346	377	31,935	264	23,347	478	35,265		159,493		254,084
Jul-24	266	16,612	272	32,207	411	23,758	600	35,865	3,776	163,269	1,929	256,013
Jul-25	250	16,862	268	32,475	209	23,967	577	36,442	2,571	165,840	1,689	257,702
Jul-26	142	17,004	315	32,790	168	24,135	357	36,799	2,112	167,952	1,360	259,062
Jul-27	114	17,118	226	33,016	212	24,347	333	37,132	1,460	169,412	847	259,909
Jul-28	149	17,267	178°	33,194	310	24,657	207	37,339	1,141	170,553	681	260,590
Jul-29	146	17,413	130°	33,324	316	24,973	186	37,525	779	171,332	716	261,306
Jul-30	87	17,500	82 <sup>b</sup>	33,406	264	25,237	131	37,656	575	171,907		
Jul-31	76	17,576	75	33,481	120	25,357	132	37,788	352	172,259		
Aug-1	67	17,643			204	25,561	63	37,851				
Aug-2	63	17,706			207	25,768						
Aug-3	56	17,762			231	25,999						
Aug-4	50	17,812										
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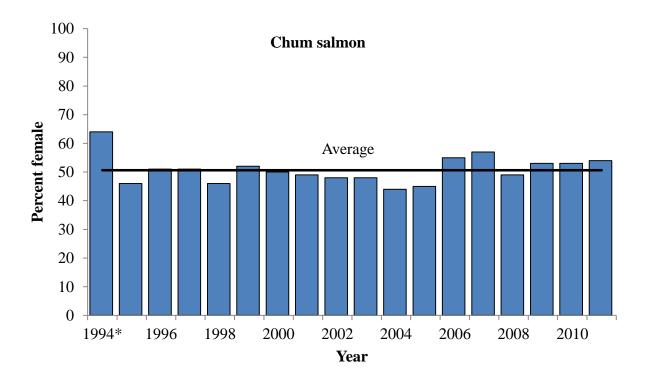
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Date	Daily	Cum	Daily	Cum	Daily	Cum	Daily	Cum	Daily	Cum
Jun-15										
Jun-16										
Jun-17							0	0		
Jun-18							0	0	0	0
Jun-19							0	0	0	0
Jun-20							0	0	4	4
Jun-21							0	0	13	17
Jun-22	0	0			- h	2	0	0	117	134
Jun-23	0	0	. h	_	2 <sup>b</sup>	2	1	1	228	362
Jun-24	5	5	2 <sup>b</sup>	2	3	5	0	1	312	674
Jun-25	9	14	29°	31	3	8	0	1	331	1,005
Jun-26	5	19	56 <sup>c</sup>	87	27	35	0	1	365	1,370
Jun-27	12	31	82	169	26	61	2	3	494	1,864
Jun-28	31	62	187	356	70	131	11	14	652	2,516
Jun-29	214	276	195	551	126	257	8	22	1,213	3,729
Jun-30	1,513	1,789	185	736	550	807	361	383	2,345	6,074
Jul-1	1,925	3,714	633	1,369	817	1,624	741	1,124	2,606	8,680
Jul-2	2,870	6,584	834	2,203	515	2,139	2,734	3,858	3,053	11,733
Jul-3	2,926	9,510	1,285	3,488	667	2,806	2,620	6,478	3,841	15,574
Jul-4	2,666	12,176	1,434	4,922	828	3,634	2,722	9,200	4,311	19,885
Jul-5	2,322	14,498	1,371	6,293	838	4,472	3,056	12,256	4,460	24,345
Jul-6	2,196	16,694	1,117	7,410	1,451	5,923	2,734	14,990	5,013	29,358
Jul-7	2,028	18,722	1,216	8,626	947	6,870	2,739	17,729	5,622	34,980
Jul-8	2,207	20,929	1,325	9,951	1,197	8,067	2,977	20,706	4,774	39,754
Jul-9	1,817	22,746	1,110	11,061	1,062	9,129	3,182	23,888	4,072	43,826
Jul-10	1,620	24,366	1,146	12,207	1,002	10,131	3,478	27,366	2,894	46,720
Jul-11	1,446	25,812	1,230	13,437	1,961	12,092	3,439	30,805	1,718	48,438
Jul-12	1,155	26,967	1,429	14,866	1,578	13,670	2,501	33,306	1,456	49,894
Jul-13	1,000	27,967	2,300	17,166	2,060	15,730	1,732	35,038	1,121	51,015
Jul-14	1,368	29,335	1,955	19,121	1,484	17,214	1,491	36,529	2,759	53,774
Jul-15	1,184	30,519	1,949	21,070	1,180	18,394	1,366	37,895	3,729	57,503
Jul-16	908	31,427	1,518	22,588	863	19,257	1,176	39,071	4,656	62,159
Jul-17	1,134	32,561	1,363	23,951	957	20,214	955	40,026	5,152	67,311
Jul-18	1,152	33,713	940	24,891	736	20,950	674	40,700	4,292	71,603
Jul-19	918	34,631	971	25,862	628	21,578	714	41,414	5,106	76,709
Jul-20	1,177	35,808	836	26,698	969	22,547	857	42,271	5,457	82,166
Jul-21	909	36,717	969	27,667	680	23,227	754	43,025	4,533	86,699
Jul-22	903	37,620	951	28,618	606	23,833	711	43,736	2,501	89,200
Jul-23	1,151	38,771	1,203	29,821	519	24,352	447	44,183	1,551	90,751
Jul-24	1,257	40,028	1,581	31,402	312	24,664	554	44,737	1,413	92,164
Jul-25	1,740	41,768	1,691	33,093	349	25,013	425	45,162	939	93,103
Jul-26	1,703	43,471	1,112	34,205	224	25,237	476	45,638	859	93,962
Jul-27	1,532	45,003	1,005	35,210	150	25,387	492	46,130	743	94,705
Jul-28	1,254	46,257	883	36,093	143	25,530	407	46,537	495	95,200
Jul-29			625	36,718	210	25,740	341	46,878	334	95,534
Jul-30			220	36,938	164	25,904	359	47,237	262	95,796
Jul-31							432	47,669		
Aug-1										
Aug-2										
Aug-3										
Aug-4										
Aug-5										
Aug-6										

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup> Incomplete count, counting did not begin until after the run had started.
<sup>b</sup> Partial daily count, count expanded to 24 hours
<sup>c</sup> Weir not counting due to high water, counts interpolated.

**Appendix 5**. — Historical Chinook salmon and summer chum salmon female percentages for the Gisasa River weir 1994 – 2011. \*Data from the first year of operation (1994) is only a partial count, counting did not begin until July 10, after the run was underway and this data is not included in averages. Horizontal line represents the 1995 – 2010 average.





**Appendix 6**. — Historic percentages of female Chinook salmon and summer chum salmon sampled at Gisasa River weir, Alaska. \*Asterisks indicate that data from the first year of operation (1994) is incomplete; data collection did not begin until July 10.

	Chinook salmon	Chum salmon
Year	%	%
1994*	39	64
1995	44	46
1996	20	51
1997	23	51
1998	17	46
1999	29	52
2000	30	50
2001	42	49
2002	21	48
2003	35	48
2004	31	44
2005	33	45
2006	32	55
2007	34	57
2008	18	49
2009	26	53
2010	24	53
2011	17	54

**Appendix 7.** — Water quality parameters collected during the 2011 project duration at the Gisasa River weir, Alaska.

Alaska.						
	Conductiv	ity (µs/cm)	Dissolved Ox	kygen (mg/L)	p	Н
Date	AM	PM	AM	PM	AM	PM
Jun-18	203.5	231.5	10.70	10.70	8.17	8.05
Jun-19	220.8	247.1	10.20	10.21	8.05	8.09
Jun-20	233.4	244.1	9.70	9.81	8.04	8.10
Jun-21	237.6	245.2	10.00	10.52	8.03	8.15
Jun-22	231.6	210.6	10.30	11.04	8.10	8.14
Jun-23	193.5	207.8	10.80	10.84	8.09	8.11
Jun-24	207.1	228.8	10.20	10.52	8.09	8.12
Jun-25	222.4	234.0	10.20	10.64	8.12	8.13
Jun-26	227.7	246.0	10.90	10.35	8.13	8.15
Jun-27	235.9	256.8	10.50	9.80	8.16	8.20
Jun-28						
	247.2	260.4	9.43	9.76	8.17	8.21
Jun-29	250.8	252.4	9.65	9.72	8.21	8.22
Jun-30	244.9	241.5	9.89	10.11	8.19	8.21
Jul-1	232.0	247.5	10.20	10.26	8.22	8.01
Jul-2	236.8	248.3	10.16	10.23	8.07	8.06
Jul-3	230.4	252.0	9.87	9.93	8.09	8.10
Jul-4	234.2	260.6	10.30	9.90	8.15	8.11
Jul-5	250.2	264.9	9.63	10.00	8.11	8.15
Jul-6	246.0	276.9	9.78	9.62	8.12	8.14
Jul-7	265.8	249.3	9.22	9.14	8.09	8.13
Jul-8	274.5	294.2	8.86	9.18	8.10	8.16
Jul-9	277.1	300.5	8.55	8.91	8.12	8.18
Jul-10	279.1	288.3	8.55	9.24	8.15	8.16
Jul-11	276.1	278.2	8.86	9.27	8.11	8.17
Jul-12	271.6	289.3	9.12	9.38	8.05	8.22
Jul-13	269.8	276.4	9.16	9.69	8.14	8.23
Jul-14	268.4	285.4	9.20	9.40	8.14	8.23
Jul-15	273.6	287.1	8.80	9.46	8.14	8.04
Jul-16	265.9	287.0	9.25	9.27	7.97	8.00
Jul-17	267.0	271.1	9.02	9.47	7.97	7.99
Jul-18	254.4	264.3	9.24	9.96	7.93	8.04
Jul-19	249.6	267.5	9.46	9.11	7.96	8.03
Jul-20	258.8	281.6	8.58	10.20	7.90	8.06
Jul-21	270.6	291.6	8.90	9.58	7.98	8.08
Jul-22	279.1	302.1	8.46	8.99	7.91	8.08
Jul-23	287.0	287.1	8.11	8.89	7.88	8.03
Jul-24	278.2	291.8	8.37	8.80	7.91	8.06
Jul-25	276.6	303.0	8.60	8.64	7.98	8.11
Jul-26	288.5	300.2	8.03	8.81	7.97	8.09
Jul-27	285.3	313.0	8.28	8.60	7.96	8.09
Jul-28	292.6	307.6	8.10	8.54	7.93	8.09
Jul-29	290.4	283.6	7.92	8.60	7.98	8.15
Jul-30	275.4	280.1	8.54	9.18	7.90	8.12
Jul-31	269.1	281.1	8.48	9.20	7.97	8.14
Aug-1	268.4	268.1	8.08	8.49	7.90	8.05
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